

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-30 without prejudice, subject to applicant's possible later filing of a continuation and/or divisional application; and add new claims 31 to 42 as follows:

Claims 1-30 (cancelled)

31. (new) Rotational plant basket hanger comprising:

a) a hanger body having a through hole with tapered sidewalls, wherein a plurality of resilient runners extend from said body, and wherein each of said runners includes a clip for coupling to a plant holder; and

b) a hook piece having a shaft portion that mounts through said hole, wherein a retainer piece projects from a distal end of said shaft portion beyond the sidewalls of said hole, wherein a stop piece displaced along said shaft portion from said retainer piece projects beyond the sidewalls of said hole, and wherein a longitudinal slot extends through said retainer piece and along said shaft portion to divide said shaft portion and retainer piece into a plurality of segments, whereby said hanger body is resiliently restrained between said retainer piece and said stop piece and such that said hook piece can rotate within said hanger body.

32. (new) A plant hanger as set forth in claim 31 wherein said stop piece comprises an annular ring.

33. (new) A plant hanger as set forth in claim 32 wherein said annular ring includes a tapered outer surface.

34. (new) A plant hanger as set forth in claim 31 wherein said retainer piece comprises a disk-shaped flange.

35. (new) A plant hanger as set forth in claim 31 wherein said clip comprises a flange piece and a stop displaced from said flange piece at a distal end of each of said runners and wherein said flange piece and said stop piece project outward from said runner beyond an intermediate portion of each of said runners.

36. (new) A plant hanger as set forth in claim 31 wherein said flange piece comprises a barb that tapers to a pointed end.

37. (new) A plant hanger as set forth in claim 32 wherein said clip exhibits an inverted, generally U-shape.

38. (new) A plant hanger as set forth in claim 37 wherein said clip includes opposed, inwardly projecting flanges.

39. (new) A plant hanger as set forth in claim 37 wherein said clip includes opposed, outwardly projecting flanges.

40. (new) Rotational plant basket hanger comprising:

a) a hanger body having a through hole, wherein a plurality of resilient runners extend from said body, and wherein each of said runners includes a clip for coupling to a plant holder; and

b) a hook piece having a shaft portion that mounts through said hole, wherein a retainer piece projects from a distal end of said shaft portion beyond the sidewalls of said hole, wherein an annular stop piece displaced along said shaft portion from said retainer

piece projects beyond the sidewalls of said hole, and wherein a longitudinal slot extends through said retainer piece and said stop piece to divide said shaft portion and retainer and stop pieces into a plurality of segments, whereby said hanger body is resiliently restrained between said retainer piece and said stop piece and such that said hook piece can rotate within said hanger body.

41. (new) Rotational plant basket hanger comprising:

a) a hanger body having a through hole with a tapered bore, wherein a plurality of resilient plastic runners extend from said body, and wherein each of said runners includes a clip for coupling to a plant holder; and

b) a hook piece having a shaft portion that mounts through said hole, wherein a retainer piece projects from a distal end of said shaft portion beyond said bore, wherein a stop piece displaced along said shaft portion from said retainer piece projects beyond said bore, and wherein a longitudinal slot extends along said shaft portion through said retainer piece to divide said shaft portion and retainer piece into a plurality of segments, whereby said hanger body is resiliently restrained between said retainer piece and said stop piece and such that said hook piece can rotate within said hanger body.

42. (new) A plant hanger as set forth in claim 41 wherein one of said segments includes said stop piece.